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Mark and Sharon Keeley
Gildford, Montana

Monthly Photo Contest Winner
1961 Deluxe Falcon



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Cover: Mark & Sharon Keeley: 1961 "Mark IV Deluxe"

Mark and Sharon Keeley didn't start out to restore a 1961 Falcon. Mark was just buying parts cars when he realized this one was a keeper. Along the way, they made it a tribute to their son, Mark A. Keeley IV. Read their story beginning on page 18.

Do you think your Falcon should be on the cover? Send a high resolution digital photo (300 dpi at 8 x 10 inches) and at least a few paragraphs about you and your car to the Editor.

4 Will

Tim Sutherland
1963 Sprint: Tribute to a Friend

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This is a story about a 1963 Sprint hardtop. My first Falcon was a 1963 Sprint convertible. I sold it a couple of years ago and I have owned several since then, but none are even close to being as special as the blue Sprint hardtop I have today.

Will Linn was a member of the Wheat State Chapter and we lost him a couple of years ago. When Will passed away, he had a couple of home projects that needed completing. Will was building a little cabin near Kaw City, Oklahoma. Since I was a contractor, Will would stop by from time to time and we would go over different options. I had two sectional modular homes that we had disassembled and put into storage. They consisted of 8 x 10 foot rooms that you could put together in several different configurations. I sold Will the entire package deal.

Then I loaned him forms and lumber for the foundation. He got that poured and Johnnie Lyons (my father-in-law), Will, and I moved the sections to the cabin and got them on the foundation. Will spent about six months getting the roof on and started running water and electrical lines when he was suddenly taken from us. He had also talked to me a couple of times about escape window wells for his basement at his home in Haysville. He and Liz had two daughters and they had a two bedroom house. There was a full basement and he wanted to put in an escape window well so he could finish part of the basement for the older daughter so the two girls could have their own bedroom.

After Will passed away, there were several of us who wanted to do something



After & Before



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4 Will

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for Liz and the girls and didn't know what would help the most. I asked Liz if it would be OK if we finished the cabin. I knew of the Sprint that Will had and I made Liz this offer; we will go and finish the cabin. I would visit with her as to how she wanted to finish everything. I would pay for all the material we needed and I would keep receipts. I told her there would be no labor charged. We had a few club weekend work sessions. We would go on Saturday morning and work as long as anyone wanted to. All help was very much appreciated. The cabin is located about 100 miles south of Wichita where most of us live. On the first Saturday we worked, Bill Stevens drove down from his home in Meriden, Kansas. It made a long day for Bill because in all, it was about a 450 mile long drive plus he worked a full day hanging sheetrock. It took about 10 weeks part time to get the cabin completed, but it came out very nice.

Then I moved onto the house. I did most of the work in the basement without bothering anyone from the chapter. I wanted this part to be a little more personal. It took about three weeks to convert about a third of the basement to a nice size bedroom with a small walk in closet. And yes, Will, there is an escape window in there as well.

When the work was done, Liz and I started talking about the Falcon. I found out that Will had bought it for her because



In progress: Tim did the Sprint as a tribute to friend, Will Linn, although he acquired it in a way he "would rather not have had to go through."

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For the Officers and Membership of the Falcon Club of America, I would like to extend our most sincere condolences to Cliff McKay and family for the loss of Helene after a lengthy battle with cancer. Helene was a very active member of the Wheat State Chapter of the Falcon Club of America and will be missed by all.



President Chuck Berason with grandson Alex Hightower at Dearborn Nationals in 2010

One of the most popular features in our *National Falcon News* is the "Tech Tips" furnished by our members. Bruce has recently updated the list of Tech Advisors and has now included email addresses for most of the Advisors. The list of Tech Advisors is published in the January and July editions of *The National Falcon News*. I would like to encourage the membership to share any Tech Tips you might have with us. If you would like to share your tips with the membership, please send tips to your Head Tech Advisor, Bruce Wolfe for review at afutura@verizon.net.

Our thanks to the Mid America Chapter for hosting the Heartland Regional Meet in Lenexa, Kansas in September. I know there are Regional Meets being planned for 2012 and they will be on the schedule soon. Please support the Host Chapters for these Regional Meets with your attendance and participation.

Mark your calendars now for July 12-14, 2012 to attend the 33rd Annual National Convention of the Falcon Club of America being held in Louisville, KY. The Tri-State Falcon National is being hosted by the Bluegrass Chapter, the Hoosier Chapter and the Ohio Valley Chapter in 2012. Please plan to join us for a great weekend in Louisville.

Remember, take a kid to a car show this year!

—Chuck & Carolyn

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The Ford Falcon Six Cylinder Performance Handbook web site has a new URL. <http://www.falcon6handbook.com>. Order your copy there. The Handbook has 107 pages on how to get more power out of your Falcon six. There are engine specifications and modifications; staged

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Falcons Wanted

Looking for a 1965 Futura station wagon or 1969 Futura or a 1960 Falcon two door. Looking for something that needs work. Michael Murphy, 716-883-3689.

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FALCON CLUB OF AMERICA 2011 BUSINESS MEETING

Bill Poole: FCA Recording Secretary

The 32nd annual Falcon Club of America (FCA) National Business meeting was held at 2:00 PM July 16, 2011, in Priest Creek Room 3, Steamboat Grand Hotel, Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

WELCOME

Kent Whisenand Jr., President of the Mile-Hi Chapter welcomed FCA members to Steamboat Springs and introduced FCA President, Chuck Beason.

President Beason thanked Kent, Blake and the Mile-Hi Chapter, on behalf of all FCA members, for the outstanding job they did hosting this year's convention. President Beason welcomed members to the 32nd annual FCA National Convention.

INTRODUCTION OF OFFICERS, CHAPTER ROLL CALL AND MEMBER RECOGNITION

Introduction of Officers

President Beason introduced FCA officers, Regional Directors and Board members. He noted that Cliff McKay, Ray Chevalier, Ken Earnhardt, Ray Johnson, Denise Sword, Mark Sword, and Jeff Thomas were unable to attend because of other commitments. Chuck thanked the officers and directors for their hard work on behalf of the FCA throughout the past year.

Chapter Roll Call

President Beason asked Mary Wagner, the Chapter Coordinator, to call the roll of Regional Directors to note chapters in attendance.

On behalf of North Eastern Regional Director Ray Chevalier, Bruce Wolfe introduced the following chapters that had members in attendance: Hoosier, Keystone, Northeast, Ohio Valley and the Ontario Chapters.

On behalf of South Eastern Regional Director Ken Earnhardt, Mary Wagner introduced the following chapters that had members in attendance: Carolinas, Mason Dixon, Southeast, Suncoast, Tennessee Valley Falcons and the Virginia Falcons Chapters.

North Central Regional Director Jack Ellis introduced the following chapters that had members in attendance: Gateway, Greater Ozarks, Lake Michigan, Metro Detroit, Mid-America, and the Wheat State Chapters. He also noted that the Mid-America Chapter is hosting an FCA Regional meeting near Overland Park, Kansas on September 23rd and 24th.

South Western Regional Director Russell Welty introduced the following chapters that had members in attendance: Capital City, Sooner State and the Space City Chapters.

Mountain Regional Director Ron Brown introduced the following chapters that had members in attendance: Arizona, Mile-Hi and the Wild West Falcons Chapters. He introduced John Shipley who was the announcer at the rodeo last night and Tim Bensler who is starting a new chapter in the New Mexico/El Paso, Texas area.

On behalf of Pacific Regional Director Ray Johnson, Mary Wagner polled the Pacific Regional Chapters and determined there was no California Chapter in attendance at this FCA National Convention.

On behalf of South Central Regional Director Dale Daugherty, Mary Wagner introduced the following chapters that had members in attendance: the Founders, Gulf States and the Southern Coast Falcon Chapters.

President Beason recognized Ms. Terri Anticevich and thanked her for helping to coordinate the many details required to host a successful FCA National Convention.

Chuck recognized approximately 15 people who were attending their first FCA National Convention, Leonard Small from Glasgow Scotland who was attending his 16th National Convention and Jim Hatcher who is the only FCA member to have attended all 32 FCA National Conventions. He also noted that FCA founder Roy Sword was unable to attend this year's meeting, but sends his regards.

President Beason asked that we take a moment to remember fellow FCA members that have died over the past year. The following members were mentioned:

Orville Reynolds: North East Texas Chapter
John Wallace: Edmond, Oklahoma
Glen Beam: Phoenix, Arizona
Bob Ferguson: Music City Chapter
Willard Irwin: Mason Dixon Chapter
Dottie Cameron: Mason Dixon Chapter

At the request of President Beason, Bill Poole read the following card from the family of Orville Reynolds:

"I want to thank all the Falcon Club members for their support and prayers and for being such wonderful friends. I also want to thank the ones who made the long trip to see him when he was sick and to attend the funeral. It meant the world to me to know he touched so many lives." The family of Orville Reynolds signed the card.

Ron Brown mentioned that Wilma Miles sent a donation in memory of her late husband, Jerry, to help fund the hospitality room at this year's FCA National Convention.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of these FCA members.

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FALCON CLUB OF AMERICA 2011 BUSINESS MEETING

Bill Poole: FCA Recording Secretary

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Beason called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the 2010 FCA Business Meeting as published in the National FCA News.

On motion of Jack Ellis (#09984), seconded by Phil Warren (#01234), the minutes of the 2010 FCA National Business Meeting were approved as printed in the National FCA News. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report

At the request of President Beason, FCA Treasurer Pam Dinzebach gave the following banking summary for the period 7/1/2010 through 6/30/2011:

- Total income, advertising, dues and donations, \$104,212.25
- Total expenses, including bank charges, corresponding secretary, insurance, postage, printing, publication design, \$86,428.92
- Net difference, \$17,783.33

(A more detailed Treasurer's report is included at the end of these minutes)

President Beason thanked Pam for serving as the FCA Treasurer for past several years and noted that the club books are in excellent shape.

Audit Committee Report

President Beason noted that Dennis Lebo (#00368), Don Snyder (#08088) and Barry Fischer (02946) served as the FCA Audit Committee, and he asked Dennis to come forward and present their report of this year's financial audit. Dennis noted he has been on the audit

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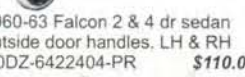
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Final Journey — Helene Irene McKay

Helene McKay passed away on August 29, 2011 after a lengthy fight with cancer. Helene is the wife of FCA Vice President Cliff McKay; they had been married 30 years. Cliff and Helene have been active Falcon Club members for many years and formed the Wheat State Chapter based in Wichita, Kansas. There they made many friends and promoted Falcons every chance they got.

Helene was a talented artist and photographer. She was a frequent contributor to The National Falcon News—her artistic eye will be greatly missed. A noted Floral Designer for many years in the El Dorado and Wichita area, she was known for her creative and unusual arrangements.

She was a very open and loving person. Even as her illness progressed, she urged those around her to remain positive and joyful. In a note earlier this year, she wrote, "For a long time now I have realized that people are sad for me and I don't want them to be. There's too much sadness in the world. We all need more POSITIVE thoughts. Besides, the more positive thoughts aimed toward me will make me feel better. I will feel your joy and I will have to be joyful no matter what happens."

Helene taught everyone around her to live more fully, with joy and grace, and appreciation of the beauty all around us. A unique and remarkable person, she will be sorely missed; but always remembered with true joy, love and peace. I also think it would make her chuckle to know that her beloved Mother Nature was making a statement with Hurricane Irene raging when she left this world.

Goodbye sweet Helene. And Thank You.

—Ed.



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Tyler Quinn: 1964 Falcon

T Tyler Quinn is the perfect custodian for his rare and original Falcon. A 1964 four door sedan; it was bought by his grandfather, who was the second owner. At the time of the 2010 National Meet, it had been in Tyler's care for six years. This is Tyler's first and only Falcon—he was 21 years old at the time of the show.

Because it has such low original mileage—only 14,000 miles—he and his grandfather trailered it to the Dearborn Meet from their home in Forest Lake, Minnesota.

This Falcon is Guardsman Blue and sports a six cylinder 170 cubic inch engine. The transmission is a two speed automatic. It also has radio delete.

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Tyler's Grandpa with Tyler at the Dearborn Meet. Grandpa has a classic Cadillac to, but this is Tyler's first and only car.



Destination: Dearborn: Tyler Quinn



Tyler went home with a little extra hardware



Tyler Quinn: 1964 Falcon

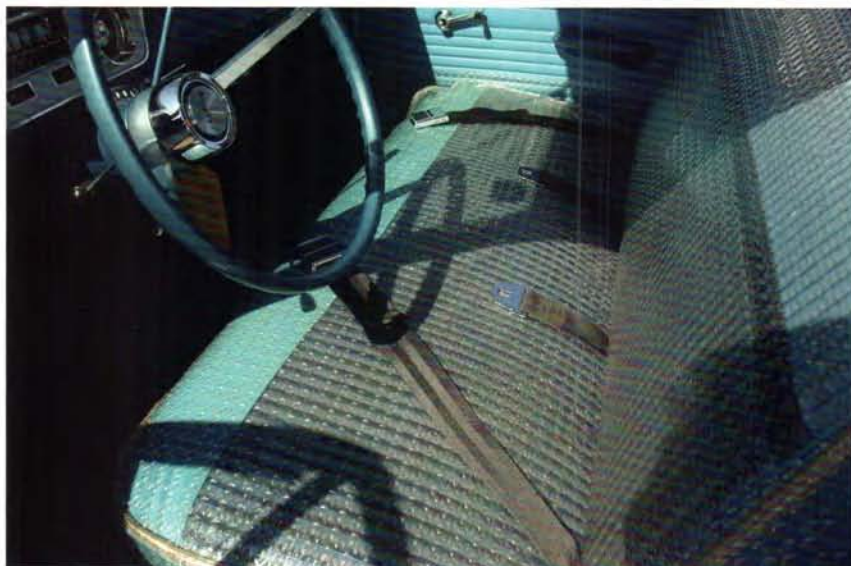
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condition is due to the original plastic seat covers; they have never been off of the car! For a 46 year old car, that is really saying something. Naturally, the interior still looks brand new.

So why is this car perfect for Tyler? After some initial car-related conversation, a closer look reveals a very impressive young man, curious about all aspects of life. A Psychology student, he is studious and smart and has multiple interests. Articulate and poised, he seems totally comfortable being himself.

At the time of the show, he had been studying Chinese for two years in preparation for spending a year in China. Along with keeping up with his reading and studying, he likes firearms as well as cars. A little sheepishly, he admitted, "I like things that are loud and fast."





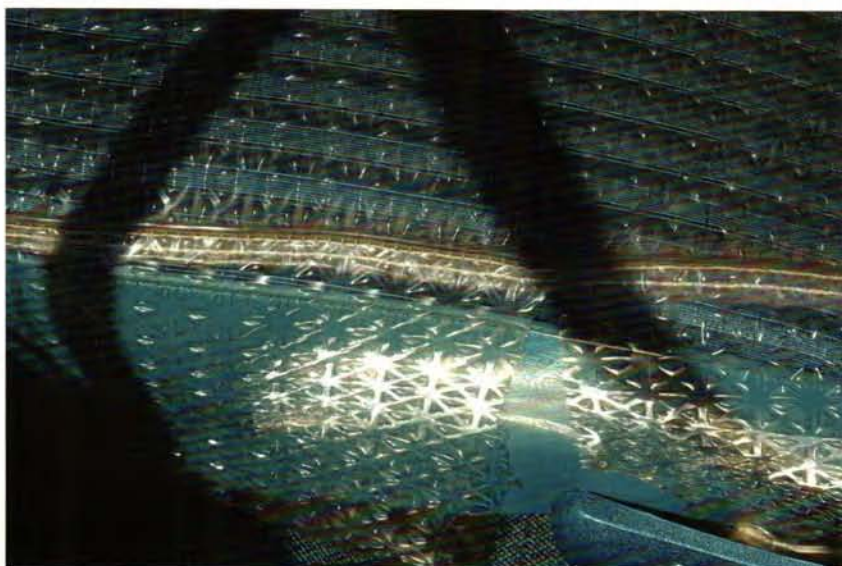
Everything about Tyler's Falcon is clean! The trunk, the never removed plastic seat covers. Even the door panels still have the dealer protective plastic on them.

He found plenty of time at the show to clean and polish the diamond/clear coated paint. The hardest part about getting it ready for a show is getting it out of storage when it's all dusty and needs to be cleaned up.

He has been a FCA member for about five years—he heard about the FCA at a Back to the Fifties Cruise. As one of the younger members, he can pinpoint one difference between him and friends his age; they like the newer cars, but he likes the older ones “that you don't see much anymore.”

His Falcon enjoyed a steady stream of admirers at the meet. That is one of Tyler's favorite things about the FCA that the people are so nice and that you “get to show off your car!” He received a First Place award in his class.

Tyler is enthusiastic about Falcons and about the future. We look forward to seeing his Falcon at shows down the road and hearing more about his experiences. This young man will go far—in a Falcon!



Destination Dearborn is an occasional series of interviews conducted by the Editor at the 2010 FCA National Meet. Next up: the very colorful Molly Nolte and her 1962 Falcon wagon.

1961 Falcon "Mark IV" Deluxe

It all started...

with my buying Falcons that were beyond repair and salvaging usable parts to sell in my eBay store, Mom 'N Pop's Shop, to help Falcon owners restore their cars. Then, in August of 2005 I purchased a 1961 Falcon Deluxe two door sedan—sight unseen—for \$200. I planned on parting out this car just as I had all previous Falcons I had purchased.

When I got the car back home I took a closer look at it and thought this car would make a great everyday driver because it had no body damage, no rusted out sheet metal and it ran and drove well.

It still has the original six cylinder 170 cubic inch engine and three speed transmission. The previous owner put a Hurst floor shift kit in it to make it more sporty looking. As I started to put it in a little better condition with a new headliner, door panels and upholstery; one thing led to another. Two years later this fine little automobile had a complete make over mechanically and cosmetically.

It was built in San Jose, California and came off the line dark blue in color with an average looking grey interior and upholstered seats. Now it is Bright White with an Ivy Gold interior.

During its make over I replaced the factory ignition point system with a Pertronix "ignitor" breakerless point system with a flame-thrower coil.

The old generator was replaced with a Delco one-wire alternator. Of course, the brakes were all redone as having good brakes is one of the most important things. I like the look of digital gauges, so I changed the fuel gauge and temperature gauges



In Remembrance: Mark A. Keeley IV



to Cyberdyne digital gauges; which fit into the original instrument panel with no cutting or alterations needed. I replaced the broken dome light with a 1979 Lincoln Mark V dome light. The comment we hear most often from the ladies is, "That is not the original dome light." We have to wonder, "How do you know that?" I added a pair of 1963 Falcon top fender ornaments. The bucket seats and the console came out of a 1961 Futura.

I also replaced the two row radiator with a three row radiator because when traveling to car shows I pull a small pop-up tent trailer. Since the switch the car now runs about 10 degrees cooler. Talk about turning heads when people see a 1961 Falcon pulling a 1982 pop-up down the highway doing 70 MPH!

Other than a color change and the few changes mentioned above; this car is all 1961 Falcon with the same engine and transmission it came with.

We finished our little Falcon in March of 2007 and had plans to drive it to the Falcon Club of America's national convention in Minnesota in 2007 but our 13 year old grandson was killed in April of that year. Our desire to make this trip died with him. Our little Falcon is dedicated to him which is why you will see a Mark IV emblem on the trunk for Mark A. Keeley IV. We also place a picture of our grandson on the car at every car show we attend, where it appeared during 2011 Nationals in Steamboat Springs. We look forward to attending more national convention in the future.

On July 5, 2008 we drove the Falcon to Kalispell, Montana to attend the Raceway Park Show & Shine put

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1961 "Mark IV" Deluxe: Mark A. Keeley IV



Mark and Sharon relaxing with the "Mark IV" Deluxe at Steamboat Nationals in 2011

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on by the Rocky Mountain Street Machines Car Club. To our surprise our little 1961 Falcon took the first place trophy in the Classic/Collector car category. There were so many nice cars and ours was picked the best. What a heart-stopper!

On the trip back to our home in Gildford, I filled up the 16 gallon fuel tank to the top and after we drove 225 miles the tank would only hold 8.2 gallons of gas. Not too bad for a 1961 automobile!

On the drive back to Gildford from the car show we stopped and took some pictures of the Falcon at a few points of interest in Glacier National Park. All the pictures were taken along US Highway 2; the Silver Staircase Waterfall in Glacier National Park on the cover; the Marias Pass obelisk and statue of John F. Stevens, who discovered the pass; this is the pass over the Continental Divide in the Rocky Mountains. The Indian statues located on the western edge of the Blackfeet Nation Indian Reservation between Browning and East Glacier, Montana were made by a local artist and are made totally of car parts.

—Mark A. Keeley III (FCA #12458)

Sharon Keeley
Gildford, Montana



Marias Pass Monument in Glacier National Park in Montana.



These statues on the edge of Blackfeet Indian Reservation are made from used car parts. Notice the old Ford hubcap used for the eye guard on the horse.

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committee for several years and has seen many improvements during that time. This year the committee did not recommend any changes in the FCA financial bookkeeping procedures, either the main account or the club store account.

President Beason thanked Dennis, Don and Barry for their work on the Audit Committee.

On motion of Kent Whisenand, Jr. (#9618), seconded by Tom Lauppe (#00365), the Treasurer's report was accepted. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Tax-Exempt Status

President Beason noted that work on the FCA tax-exempt status is ongoing. Chuck has discussed this with the Board of Directors and will give this matter his undivided attention over the next year to try to resolve the issue.

Membership Directory

President Beason noted that the FCA Membership Directory did not get updated and published during this past year. He attributed this to more pressing matters and tight finances. He advised that the updated directory should be published during the first quarter of 2012.

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Officers

President Beason noted that the elections of the President, Vice President and one member of the Board of Directors were next on the agenda. He noted that Mark Sword was coming off the Board of Directors after 5 years of service.

In the absence of FCA Vice President Cliff McKay, Chuck turned the meeting over to FCA Recording Sec-

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retary, Bill Poole, for the election of the 2011-2012 FCA President.

Secretary Poole opened the floor for nominations. On motion of Bonnie Stringer (#00938), seconded by Jim Hatcher (#00073), Chuck Beason was nominated for FCA President. The membership was asked three times for additional nominations. None was given. Bill closed the nominations for President. Chuck Beason was elected President of the Falcon Club of America for 2011-2012 by acclamation.

Chuck thanked the membership for their support and opened the floor for nominations for the position of Vice-President. On motion of Bonnie Stringer (#00938), seconded by Lorena Saidon (#09014) Cliff McKay was nominated for FCA Vice President. The membership was asked three times for additional nominations. None was given. President Beason closed the nominations for Vice President. Cliff McKay was elected Vice President of the Falcon Club of America for 2011-2012 by a unanimous vote.

President Beason noted that Mark Sword's term on the Board of Directors was expiring and opened the floor for nominations for a new member of the Board.

On motion of Phil Barber (#01581), seconded by Ed Sickels (#00119), Jim Clements was nominated to the FCA Board of Directors. The membership was asked three times for additional nominations. None was given. President Beason closed the nominations. Jim accepted the nomination. Jim Clements was elected to a 5-year term on the FCA Board of Directors by a unanimous vote.

2012 FCA NATIONAL CONVENTION

At the request of President Beason, Dale Daugherty reported that the Bluegrass, Hoosier and Ohio Valley Chapters are hard at work on the 33rd FCA National Convention to be held in Louisville, Kentucky. Dale noted they are working on a tour of the Ford plant in Louisville where the next generation Ford Escape will be made. Many other fun events are being planned for FCA members in "Bluegrass Country". President Beason submitted his and Carolyn's application for the 2012 FCA National Convention.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

President Beason reported that an FCA member had suggested changes to categories for FCA events. The Board discussed the proposal and determined they needed more information before taking a position on the suggestion. A couple of the Board members will obtain

additional information during the next year, and the Board will be in a position to make a recommendation to the members at next year's FCA National Convention.

The Board also discussed another item related to categories/classes. Chuck explained that the current categories/classes were adopted about 10 to 12 years ago. The By-laws allow the host chapter(s) to add classes as they see fit, but do not allow classes to be cut or combined. This year, with the state of our economy, convention location, etc., there were some classes with no cars or only one car. This presents a hardship to the host chapter(s). During the coming year, the Board will consider amending the By-laws to allow the host chapter(s) to combine or modify classes with the approval of the Board.

Chuck noted that the FCA is growing and evolving and must be open to changes to remain a viable organization.

2013 FCA NATIONAL CONVENTION

President Beason reported that the Board has approved a proposal from the South Western Region, under the leadership of Russ Welty, to host the 2013 FCA National Convention in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Chuck encouraged other chapters to look at hosting the National Convention in 2014 and mentioned California or the northeast as potential locations.

FCA Regional Meets and Other Shows

President Beason noted the following FCA Regional Meetings and other shows in the upcoming months:

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The Mason Dixon Chapter will be hosting an FCA Regional Meeting in Edgewater, Maryland on August 12th and 13th.

The Northeast Chapter will be hosting an FCA Regional Meeting in Sturbridge, Massachusetts on August 19th and 20th.

The Mid-America Chapter will be hosting an FCA Regional Meeting in Overland Park, Kansas on September 23rd and 24th.

Cruisin the Coast 2011 will take place in and around Gulfport, Mississippi from October 2nd to the 9th with 15 to 17 FCA families in attendance.

President Beason urged FCA members to support the Chapters hosting Regional Meetings and to display our Falcons at various shows in their areas.

Miscellaneous

Bill Branch (#01127) suggested that a class be established for non-Falcon automobiles at FCA National and Regional events. This class could be used as a source of revenue and to reach out to other car makes/clubs. Chuck asked Bill to submit this proposal to his Regional Director Ron Brown and the Board of Directors would consider it.

FCA BANKING SUMMARY

07/01/2010 Through 06/30/2011

INCOME

Advertisement Income.....	\$27,866.75
Dues.....	\$75,773.50
Other.....	\$572.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$104,212.25

EXPENSES

Bank Charges	\$18.00
Corresponding Sec'y.....	\$3,600.00
Insurance.....	\$2,327.00
Other Expenses.....	\$1,962.68
Postage.....	\$19,164.58
Printing.....	\$44,073.60
Publications: Edit/Design	\$15,283.06

TOTAL EXPENSES **\$86,428.92**

OVERALL TOTAL **\$17,783.33**

Vern Thompson (#13117) noted that an FCA member from New Jersey had suggested that security be provided after the National Convention so out-of-town members' cars would be protected while they visited the area. Again, Chuck requested that these suggestions be submitted to the appropriate Chapter President or Regional Director for the Board of Directors' consideration.

Tom Lauppe (#00365) asked if the shuttle would run early tomorrow morning between the hotel and the meadows parking lot for people leaving the event. Blake Philpott (#11332) advised that the shuttle is scheduled to run from 7:00 AM on or hotel security can arrange it earlier.

Jan Brown (#02254) said Jim Larkin needed to pick up part of his door prize, and the person that won the purse door prize needed to pick up their items at the registration room.

Bob Mataich (#08005) noted some problems with the temporary directional signs at this event and suggested that better, more permanent signs be made for future use. President Beason asked Bob to send this suggestion to him in writing.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was on motion of Ron Brown (#02254), seconded by Kent Whisenand Jr. (#09618), that the 2011 FCA Annual Business Meeting be adjourned at 2:50PM. The motion passed unanimously.



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The Rundown

Originally sold on New Years Eve, 1965 at Herb Gold Ford a car dealership in Santa Paula, California sporting a 289 V8 engine, bench seats, side trim pieces, and the famous tailgate steer emblem. The original paint job was blue, not the color it is now. The glove box contains the original owner's manual, signed by the original owner from the dealership where it was purchased, confirming the purchase date.

How it spent the years before I found it on a Sunday morning at the Pomona Swap Meet may never be known. Still here it was, the car of my boyhood dreams, the car my brother drove and my father promised me, but gave away because he didn't want it sitting in the front yard anymore.

My brother's car was black, deluxe model, bucket seats. For 10 years, pinned on a bulletin board in my office were the exact dimensions of a '65 Ranchero, reminding me that someday I would find the perfect car and make it mine.

I made an offer on the car, telling the owner that if he didn't sell it to give me a call, I walked away hoping no one would buy it. Fate was mine, I received a call at the end of the day and I picked it up the next morning.

The dream was reality, a perfect fit.

The Hard-Way

Taking the car to a local shop for estimates on what it needed to keep it running as a daily-driver was a learning experience. Shocks, brakes, a new radiator, bushings, a carburetor (good thing the car didn't set itself on fire), tires, rear leafs, front coils and hoses.

The interior needed work, including carpet and door panels. I upgraded the seat belts, replaced the scuff plates. The dash needed to be re-chromed along with replacing the inside window laces. I had the seats chopped to fit my six-foot frame. The radio needed work and the steering wheel had to be replaced.

In spite of all this it ran well and it still had the coveted, original gas cap. I replaced the cap with a locked gas cap, saving the original for car shows where I enter as a daily driver, a work in progress. The paint on the car was still in great condition but I dreamed of ghost flames once all was complete.

Searching for the perfect shops to make the necessary restoration gave me an insight into the good, the bad and the ugly. It was important to do it right by making creative decisions



while staying true to the original integrity of the car. I searched for companies that did chrome restoration, and I joined the Falcon Club of America (FCA) for informative feedback. I used the following shops and resources during the restoration:

- Mustang Etc. was a great choice for all '60s & '70s Ford repairs.
- The National Flacon News helped with information on parts and ideas related to the Falcon experience.
- Nacho's Upholstery became the only shop for the interior and tonneau cover.
- Ordering parts from Dearborn Classics became a mainstay.

I found out the hard-way who did it right and who did it wrong, I kept notes and detailed copies of changes, made friends with many of the shops

Tim Coffey's 1965 Ranchero & Barbecue



who worked on the Ranchero and shared the knowledge acquired with other Falcon enthusiast I encountered at car shows. The challenge is getting it right. The dream continues.

The Blue Q

First sighted in Bakersfield at the Falcon Regional Car show, a rusted cut-up old 1964 Falcon caught my eye. A group of old timers wondered what you could possibly do with this worthless hunk of metal.

I knew immediately and told them that if given the chance, I would make it into a BBQ.

Not being able to tow it home from Bakersfield I left the show empty-handed and headed home. It showed up the next day at the Road Kings Car show at Johnny Carson Park in Burbank. There it sat on a flat bed

trailer with a \$1,000.00 price tag, the words "BBQ" and "Ice Chest" written on it in Sharpie marker.

It was following me. I couldn't find the owner and once again left it sitting on that flatbed.

A month later I called Russ Wall to purchase a part for the Ranchero and told him the story about seeing the trailer twice at a car show and told him what I wanted to do with it.

He told me that he purchased the trailer in Bakersfield and he'd taken it to Johnny Carson Park, but he didn't get any offers, he was about to break it down and sell it for parts! Fate was on my side once again: for \$600 it was to become more of a project than I'd imagined.

My good fortune was John Belyeu, studio special effects supreme; he offered his long-standing friendship

to help me make this into my dream BBQ.

Russ Wall dropped the trailer off at Jon's shop, and we started on the rust and grinding Frankenstein welds. He then helped me with the design concept, framing, welding of the framework, and after months of work it started to take shape.

There were lots of patterns, much cutting of stainless steel, numerous fittings and plenty of beer. Finally, after two years of working we were ready to drop in the propane grill, hiding the hookup to give a clean custom fit.

Next it was taken to Jack's Auto Body where Harvey took-over, changing some of the ideas: he made the trailer look seamless.

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The Blue Q: 1965 Ranchero & Barbecue



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It was painted to match the color of the Ranchero with matching ghost flames. Once home, Boyd Coddington five-spoke wheels custom drilled four lug patterns for a '64 were added, along with new taillights to match the Ranchero.

The tailgate steer emblem and rear panel letters were ordered, and the grill was re-plated. The front-end was wired for towing, the Eckart trailer hitch hidden under the Ranchero license plate. The grill and both Coleman stainless coolers set in place.

It had taken three years from start to finish—we named it The Blue Q.

1965 Ranchero & The Blue Q

The Road Kings at Johnny Carson Park seemed the perfect place for the debut. Close to home, The Blue Q was hitched to its companion Ranchero and off we went.

The coolers were filled with soda and water for everyone to enjoy. Burgers and hot dogs were ready for friends to consume. High-fives and honks greeted us along the way.

Sitting on the grass, the 1965 Ranchero, introduced the trailer. I put all hoods up and aligned the duo's position as to give the illusion of a matching set. With the hitch hidden from sight, I set the scene. From a distance it looked like two identical cars.

The Ranchero has always looked great by itself but now the trailer made it exceed expectations. It was like a magnet. Some came asking how it got there, others won-

dered what it was. As soon as they saw the coolers they smiled, when they walked to the back and saw it was a barbecue grill, they beamed. All who stopped stood in amazement.

They nodded, some looked confused wondering where the middle of the car was. Some went to find their friends bringing them over for a look inside. Men, women, children, teens, old, young, all colors and lifestyles, all walks of car show life gave the same response. "It's car with a matching BBQ!" The reaction was always the same, laughter and a smile. The drinks were cold, the burgers tasty.

The day was perfect. The Ranchero & the Blue Q, worth every penny, all the hard work, the lessons learned, and the friends made. An idea worth its weight, The 1965 Ranchero and the Blue Q.

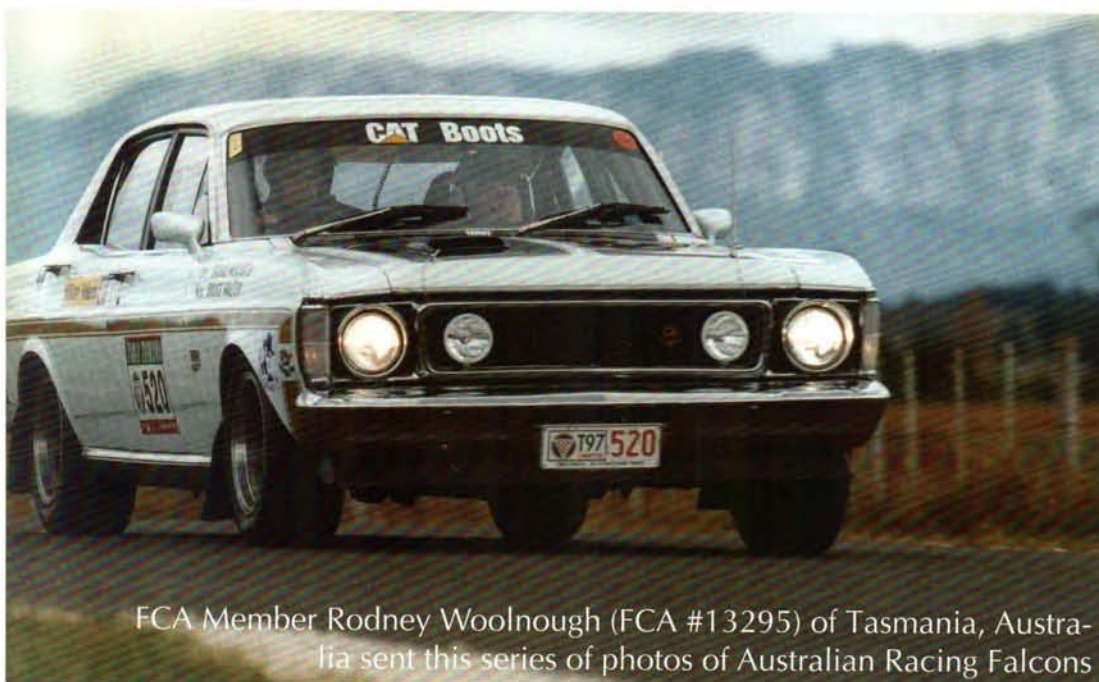
Catch it if you can!

—Submitted by Tim Coffey (FCA #12236)
Valley Village, California

Tim Coffey writes: "The National Falcon News is a staple at our house. I look forward to every issue. I saw that wagon in the June issue at Hot August Nights. I love the fact a Falcon won best of show. It made my day as we are often overlooked in the car arena."

See more of Tim's Blue Q at 1965bbq.com.

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Tim Sutherland 1963 Sprint: Tribute to a Friend

4 Will

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she liked the 1963 hardtop body style. The floor pans were gone and there was a little rust in the quarter panels. The good part was the motor was free and the car was virtually untouched and all original including the paint. The factory tach sat on the dash as the Chrome air breather was still on the carburetor. There was no history on the car other than Will had bought it several years before. You could see the concrete floor that is under the car when you stuck your head inside. The floor pans were non-existent but the frame rails and the important parts were in great shape. It still had the factory bucket seats and the console.

I had taken a few pictures and sent them to fellow members in the club asking what they would value the car at in its current condition. The consensus was the car should be worth around \$2,000. to \$2,500. in its condition. But that was because it had the tach, bucket seats, and the overall condition. When I sat down to talk about the deal with Liz, I asked her to write down on a piece of paper what they paid for the car. I said I would write down how much I had spent and as long as her number was less than mine, I would be happy to have the Falcon in trade. Liz wrote down her number and then I told her I had spent \$2,500. out of pocket. She handed me the piece of paper and I read that they had paid \$700.00 for the car.

I felt really good about the fact that we were able to help complete a couple of Will's projects and it didn't cost his family out of pocket expense. I also felt really special to be a part of bringing together so many people to do something good. It wasn't anything that I did



The Sprint on the show field at the 2011 FCA National Meet in Steamboat (above) and on the wildlife viewing cruise



the modifications I mentioned I tried to keep it true to factory specs.

Last January, I took it to an indoor car show and I had a pin stripper paint "4 Will" on the back panel near the taillight. The pin stripe was still drying when a guy came around the car and did about three circles. He asked me if it was my car and I said yes. He asked if Will Linn had owned this car. I then found out he was the guy who sold Will the Sprint and I found out a little more history behind it. It was his school car. He bought a Mustang and parked

the Falcon for a while and then sold it to Will.

I don't have any plans to part with the Sprint. I came about being its caretaker by means I would rather not have gone through. I still miss Will. I would much rather the car be sitting in his garage waiting "4 Will" to do whatever with. But I know that won't happen. The next best thing I can do is to enjoy the car and share my story whenever anyone asked what the "4 Will" means. Then I can proudly explain to them how some of us got together and did something for Will's girls to try and help them out in memory of our friend. If it wasn't for Will, I wouldn't have this car. So I figured the best tribute to our friend is to say I did this car "4 Will."

—Tim Sutherland (FCA #11096)
Wichita, Kansas
Wheat State Chapter

Tim Sutherland is an all around nice guy. He made my day by opening his story with, "Hi Wendy, Let me start out by saying how much I appreciate you. You are always smiling when I see you and you really brighten the day." As well as being a good friend to Will Linn, he is a close friend of Cliff McKay. Before and when Helene passed away in August (p. 13) Tim kept FCA members updated during a very difficult time.. He is a good friend to have. He likes Falcons too.

alone. It was a lot of people helping out. Richard Hibbs and Johnnie Lyons both spent a lot of time helping make this happen. Cliff McKay made a few trips as well. I can't thank everybody who helped enough.

When I got the Sprint home the first order of business was to get it running. New points and some fresh gas made a big difference. The car fired up and smoked a little at first. It cleared up very fast. Then I added some transmission fluid and it shifted right into gear. I started taking it apart with the exception of the drive train. I was very confident it wasn't going to need any attention since the car had only about 75,000 miles. I started on the sheet metal in May of last year. My goal was to take it to Dearborn for the 2010 Nationals in July. I thought a paint job, interior and chrome refreshing was all it needed to get on the road. I sent the bumpers, the air breather, and windshield trim in for re-chrome and I'm glad I did. I had put in motion a plan to get the Sprint done by the Dearborn Nationals. Diane, my wife of 30 years, understood that I was on a mission. Johnnie and I hit it hard and we beat our deadline by two weeks before the first test drive.

It ran fine, but I knew I had planned on driving it to the Ford Test Track. I was confident with the motor, but I wanted

to make sure the two speed automatic was up to the challenge. I took it to a Ken Erxleben, a fellow Wheat State member, who just happens to manage a transmission shop, for a transmission service. Ken called me on Thursday afternoon and said he had some bad news. He knew I really wanted to take the Sprint to Dearborn, but all the seals were totally dried up and brittle. He said the car might make it but he would hate to see me driving on the test track and blow a seal spilling transmission fluid all over the test track. He said the really bad news was he was closing his shop for vacation on Saturday and he couldn't get the parts he needed in time to rebuild the transmission until after he left on vacation. I figured it just wasn't meant to be. I took the heavily modified Darrell Starbird shop car instead. Ken felt bad not being able to have the Sprint ready for me to take. The way I look at it, he was being a friend and concerned with my safety and also watching out that I didn't embarrass myself. That's what friends do—look out for each other.

My focus on the Sprint was to keep it as original as possible. The only modifications are the custom valve covers and the aluminum radiator. I even left the 13" tires and hubcaps. I had Art Carlton, another Wheat State member, make me the custom "4 Will" valve covers. Other than

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